



# State of Mississippi

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## MISSISSIPPI DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY

CHRIS WELLS, EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

February 20, 2025

Mr. Levi Sanford  
P.O. Box 195  
Ellisville, MS 39437

Dear Mr. Sanford:

Re: Levi Sanford, LMS #1  
Covington County  
General Mining Stormwater Coverage.  
No. MSR322937

The Environmental Permits Division has approved the transfer of the requested stormwater permit coverage for the above referenced facility from Mr. Vernon Burge to Mr. Levi Sanford. Enclosed is a Certificate of Coverage granting you coverage under the Mining Storm Water, Dewatering, and No Discharge General Permit. Please note the limitations, schedules of compliance, monitoring requirements, and monitoring reporting dates found in the general permit are still applicable. The Storm Water Pollution Prevention Plan (SWPPP) appears to meet permit requirements and will be further reviewed during compliance inspections.

If you are required to submit DMRs please take advantage of our electronic Discharge Monitoring Reports (*eDMR*) program. This secure web based program enables facilities to submit their DMRs electronically instead of by mail. Additional information about MDEQ's *eDMR* program is available at the following website: <http://etempo.deq.state.ms.us>. If your facility desires to participate, please email the help desk at: [eDMR\\_HelpDesk@deq.state.ms.us](mailto:eDMR_HelpDesk@deq.state.ms.us), or contact Kayra Johnson at (601) 961-5106.

An important condition that is often overlooked is the requirement to request termination of coverage once the project has been completed and stabilized. Failure to submit the "request for Termination of Coverage" form is a permit violation and subject to enforcement action.

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If you have any questions, please contact your project engineer at (601) 961-5171.

Sincerely,



Becky Simonson  
Chief, Environmental Permits Division

Enclosures

## ADDENDUM

The following is a summary of changes from the previous Mining Storm Water, Dewatering, and No Discharge General Permit. These changes reflect EPA requirements and regulations, clarify existing language, requirements and conditions, and contain measures to reduce administrative burden. The changes are listed in no particular order.

This is a summary and does not cancel the need for the coverage recipient to carefully read and be familiar with the general permit and its conditions.

- Several allowable non storm water discharges have been added. They are: waterline flushing, landscape irrigation, diverted stream flows, dust suppression water and vehicle washing where detergents are not used (Activity 2).
- An annual submittal of the monthly inspections is now required, rather than the semi-annual submittal required by the previous permit (Activity 8).
- Employee training (specifically how to stay in permit compliance) is now a requirement (Activity 13).
- New requirements for the Storm Water Pollution Prevention Plan (SWPPP):
  - Construction exits are required if trucks are leaving the mining site and moving directly onto a paved, public road.
  - Sedimentation basins must have a surface discharge.
  - Housekeeping practices require spill and leak response and clean up procedures and construction/mining equipment should have exposure to storm water minimized (Activity 5).
- Total Maximum Daily Load (TMDL) language has been up-dated and 303(d) language has been added (Activity 2).



*State of Mississippi  
Department of Environmental Quality  
Office of Pollution Control*

***Certificate of Permit Coverage***

under Mississippi's Mining Storm Water General NPDES Permit

Be it known

**Levi Sanford  
Ellisville, Mississippi**

having submitted an acceptable Mining Notice of Intent, is hereby granted this Certificate of Permit Coverage in order to discharge stormwater in association with the operation of

**LMS #1 Mine  
Receiving Stream: Mitchell Branch  
Covington County**

*Becky Simonson*

*Chief, Environmental Permits Division*

*Coverage No: MSR322937*

*Date of Coverage: April 29, 2022*

*Date Coverage Modified: February 20, 2025*

*Date General Permit Expires: March 31, 2023*

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